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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the office action dated November 12, 2008 received in the patent application identified above, please amend the claims as indicated herein.